Evasion of Customs and Excise Duties

799. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases of evasion of customs and excise duties detected during last one year; and
- (b) the details of goods and penalty recovered from the evaders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESH-WAR THAKUR): Information in regard to evasion of customs duty is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course. Partwise reply in regard to evasion of Central Excise duty is as under:—

- (a) The number of cases of evasion of Central Excise duty detected during the last one year is 5266.
- (b) Good worth Rs. 71.87 crores have been seized on account of violation of provisions of Central Excise Laws. Show cause notices demanding Central Excise duty alleged to have been evaded and for imposition of penalty have been issued.

Foreign Trade During 1991-92

800. SHRIYASHWANTRAO PATIL: SHRIRHAGEY GOBARDHAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the countries and value of the import and export of goods carried out by India during the year 1991–92;
 - (b) the steps taken by the Government

to maintain the trade surplus with those countries:

- (c) the action Government propose to take to bring out the trade from deficit to surplus with those countries having deficit of trade; and
- (d) the steps government propose to take to widen the areas of export?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHI-DAMBARAM): (a) The break-up of India's exports and imports by countries is available for the period April November, 1991. A Statement indicating the names of the principal counties and the value of import and export of goods carried out by India during April-November, 1991 is attached.

(b) to (d). The State taken by the Government to generate as well as to maintain trade surplus with our trading partners include bilateral discussions at Government to Government level at the forum of Joint Commissions/Joint Trade Committees. exchange of business delegation in trade fairs/exhibitions to publicise Indian capabilities, and provisions of commercial lines of credits to selected countries etc. Besides the Government has also introduced a package of trade policy reforms aimed at strengthening of export incentives, eliminating substantial volume of import licensing and optimal import compression. REP licences have been replaced by a new instrument names Eximscribs. The system of advance licensing has been strengthened. The Govt. has also taken other steps which include activisation of Board of Trade, bilateral discussions with selected countries and interaction with national organisations of trade and industry.

STATEMENT

S.No.	Country/Region	April-November, 1991	
	<u> </u>	Export	Import
l.	WEST EUROPE	7709.50	9346.2
i)	ECM	6924.52	8493.9
	a) Belgium	994.92	2091.0
	b) France	560.55	830.
	c) FRG	1861.09	2202.
	d) Italy	743.22	749.
	e) Netherlands	531.90	428.
	f) UK	1680.77	1975.
ii)	EFTA	683.33	734.
	a) Sweden	123.39	271.
	b) Switzerland	331.01	211.
iii)	OTHERS	101.65	118.
II.	ASIA AND OCEANIA	9203.11	12928.
i)	ESCAP	6762.07	6 79 0.
	a) Australia	303.16	933.
	b) Iran	116.21	880.
	c) Japan	2474.32	2164.
	d) Korea Rep. of	418.64	450.
	e) Malaysia	. 277.19	523.
	f) Singapore	596.55	991.
	g) Nepal	130.11	49.

179.30

116.56

Others

b)

S.No.	Country/Region	April-November, 1991	
		Export	Import
ii)	Non-Rupee Payment Ccuntries	265.41	257.55
	a) Yugoslavia	53.06	80.21
	GRAND TOTAL	26012.44	29410.38

(Incl. others)

P: Provisional

Source: DGCl&S, Calcutta.

[English]

Loans from South Korean Exim Bank

- 801. SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government are negotiating for \$ one billion loan from South Korean Exim Bank;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESH-WAR THAKUR): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Does not arise.

New Weaving Milis in Bihar

802. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new weaving mills set up in Bihar during the year 1991–92 and the capacity of each of such mills; and
- (b) the amount of loan sanctioned by the nationalised banks to these units, unit—wise and bank—wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) As per the information available, no license has been issued by the Central Government for setting up of Weaving mills in the State of Bihar during the year 1991–92.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

[English]

Roads in Southern Coastal Areas

- 803. SHRI G.M.C. BALAYOGI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether the Union Government have